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"ISLAM"

Mohammad, the glorious al-Qur'an & Muslims

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Mohammad

Mohammed's life is an epic story. He was an orphan who rose from poverty to become the first ruler of all of Arabia. He created a new religion, new methods of war and a new political system including a legal code, the Shari'a. Mohammed was a great warrior. Today no one wages war in the name of Caesar, Alexander the Great, Napoleon or any other military leader. However, every year many people die because of Mohammed. After 1400 years, Islam is more powerful than it has ever been. Mohammed said that one day all of the world would live under his rule of law.

To understand Islam, you must know the life of Mohammed. Every Muslim's desire is to live a life identical to his. His every word and deed are the perfect model for being a Muslim. Every Muslim is a Mohammedan. The religion of Islam is not about worshiping Allah... it is more about worshiping Allah exactly as Mohammed did.

Islam as a Religion of Peace

Most people only expose themselves to information that matches their own world view. It is uncomfortable to do otherwise. Do not assume that all religions are the same. The difference between the Qu'ran and every other religious book that we are familiar with is:

The Christian Bible is a collection of writings from various authors written sometimes hundreds of years apart with parables, advice, and dreams, all collected together in one book. The same with the Jewish Torah. We assume the same is true for the **Qu'ran**... but the Qu'ran is only book, written by one man, in his own lifetime - Mohammad was an illiterate and dictated the Suras (chapters) as told to him by an Angel. It is meant to be taken literally and it is not full of symbolism or vague analogies. It is mostly direct commands.

Of course, the Qu'ran contains contradictory statements just like the Bible, the Torah, and other religious books. But it is explained in the Qu'ran that if two passages contradict each other, the one written later supersedes the one written earlier. The peaceful, tolerant passages were written early in Mohammed's prophetic career. According to the Qu'ran, those passages have been abrogated by more violent and less tolerant passages.

It says very explicitly and in no uncertain terms that a Muslim must not alter or ignore any part of the very clear and direct message, *or they will burn in a fiery torment forever.*

Striving to institute worldwide **Shari'a Law** is a religious duty and the Qu'ran has a highly specific legal and political plan for the whole of society, constituting a means of establishing a totalitarian order at every level, including: ritual worship, transactions and contracts, morals and manners, beliefs... and punishments. In the Qu'ran, Mohammed has made clear that man-made governments, such as Democracy and free speech are abominations and must be eliminated.

There is no separation between the religious and political in Islam. Islam has not been hijacked by extremists (such as al-Qaeda or ISIS), and is less of a religion than it is a **"religious ideology."** The term **"creeping Shari'a"** is used to describe the slow, deliberate and methodical advance of Islamic law in non-Muslim countries. Official Shari'a courts already

exist in the UK - and without a doubt the **Shari'a Secret Police** are active at every level of Western Civilization. Ongoing attempts have been made to introduce Shari'a law into the legal systems of Germany, Sweden, and many other European countries.

Shari'a commands that drinkers, gamblers, and unmarried fornicators be whipped, and adulterers to be stoned to death; furthermore, it commands that a thief must have a hand cut off and that homosexuals must be executed, allows husbands to hit their wives, and allows a legal plaintiff to exact legal revenge - literally "an eye for an eye." It orders death for critics of Mohammed, the Qu'ran and even Shari'a itself; orders apostates to be killed, and commands offensive, aggressive, and unjust jihad.

As written in the Qu'ran, **Shari'a is the Law of Allah**, and any other form of government is a sin. It is the duty of every Muslim to keep striving until all governments have been converted to Shari'a Law.

While most other religions speak highly of truthfulness, Muslims are allowed to deceive non-Muslims - a principle called **Taqiyya** - about their political ambitions and beliefs in order to protect and spread Islam. Deceiving the enemy is always useful in war and Islam is at war with the non-Islamic world *until the whole world follows Shari'a Law*. All non-Muslims living in non-Islamic states are *therefore* enemies. According to the Qu'ran, the world will be at peace only when Islam and Shari'a reign in every country - and never until then.

The Problem We Face With Islam

Qu'ran Chapter 9 Sura 29 (at-Tawbah): "Kill those who do not believe in Allah or in the Last Day and who do not consider unlawful what Allah and His Messenger have made unlawful and who do not adopt the religion of truth from those who were given the Scripture - kill until they give the **Jizya** willingly while they are humbled."

Islam sanctions the killing of Jews and Christians at all times - giving Muslims the permission to fight non-Muslims who do not pay **Jizya** - the state tax - a form of tribute: *infer*.

People who don't think Islam is a problem tell us there are similar verses in the Christian Old Testament and the Jewish Torah and Mishnah and Talmud.

There are three reasons why this is not a valid argument:

- 1) If this were true - and it is not - this does not mitigate the violent and destructive nature of Islam... but if it were true, it merely makes Christianity and Judaism worthy of criticism, too.
- 2) The Qu'ran is filled with such militant verses... and it was the theme of Muhammad's later life to kill and enslave anyone who did not accept him as the messenger of God. Similar verses in the Bible are long since abrogated, whereas in the Qu'ran it is contemporary law in every Islamic state - right now... not 2000 years ago!
- 3) There is no parallel in the Bible for such verses of aggression and conquest of the entire world. There are some genuine

similarities between the Bible and the Qu'ran in comparisons of Shari'a law to passages in Deuteronomy and Leviticus - but that is irrelevant (for we would criticize the Christians if they still killed apostates).¹

By convention, Muslims always attempt to mistranslate this verse - and you'll be hard put to find the correct translation on the internet:

The Qu'ran was *most likely* compiled in the 650s, more than twenty years after the death of Muhammad, at that time the precise order of the chapters was not yet revealed... so the book was compiled in an almost random manner with larger chapters first and smaller chapters last. But the order matters because in Chapter 2 Sura 106 (al-Baqarah) it states: "We do not abrogate a verse or cause it to be forgotten except that We bring forth [one] better than it or similar to it. Do you not know that Allah is over all things competent?" This simply infers *that newer verses abrogate older ones*... which means *that* if we see two verses that contradict each other... it is the later verse Muhammad wants his followers to obey.

The first 29 verses of the 9th chapter were recited in the 10th month of the 9th year of Islamic history - this is some months after verses 30-to-129 were recited. Mark: There are only three tiny verses in the entire Qu'ran - in the tiny 110th chapter - which are dated to after Chapter 9 Sura 29... and they only speak about how great it will be after Islam has conquered the whole earth.

So there is no peaceful verse abrogating this verse which commands Muslims to kill unbelievers... thus, it is apparent from Muhammad's own example of committing mass murder of prisoners on every occasion when he was able to do so *that* this is what is meant by "qatiloo." ²

This is the theme of an unhealthy doctrine which is growing in our country.

Often Quoted by Islamophiles

Qur'an 2 Sura 256 (al-Baqarah): "There shall be no compulsion in [acceptance of] the religion. The right course has become clear from the wrong. So whoever disbelieves in **Taghut** and believes in Allah has grasped the most trustworthy handhold with no break in it. And Allah is Hearing and Knowing."

Outwardly, this seems to say *that* Muslims should not use outward compulsion to convert people to Islam... but just look at any Islamic country where unbelievers and apostates are ritually murdered - because the verse has been abrogated by later verses. The second chapter of the Qu'ran is actually the first to be recited after Muhammad's flight to Medina; he was having no long convincing converts to Islam... because people are stubborn and not easily compelled. Later, however, Muhammad discovered *that* he could compel people.

¹ The Jews, for example, do not consider a woman who has been raped as having submitted to illegitimate sexual conduct.

² Most translators and English translations erroneously, yet purposely, translate the word "qatiloo," which means "kill" as "fight."

A Call for Mass Deportation

We are told *that* there is nothing we can do about *creeping Islam*. We are told *that* people who are born here cannot be deported. But, historically, most people we have exiled were born here - for example, St-Louis "David" Riel was exiled to the United States after the 1869/70 Red River Rebellion (Manitoba). But mass deportation has been considered by PM Harper.³

Islam will eventually take over if we do not cease importing Muslims into our midst and burdening our children's children with this growing problem - this Seed of Jihad which we have planted on our Canadian soil.

We should not have to live in fear of a Muslim minority.

Creeping Sharia

Increasing Muslim fertility rates, with family sizes bigger than non-Muslim ones, are symptomatic of poverty, ignorance and superstition. But thanks to technological and medical advances and government entitlement programs in Catholic and Christian countries, Muslims, Africans, Asiatics, and Latinos who have already overpopulated their own countries, come *en masse* like **a Biblical plague of locusts** to consume and destroy everything good about Western Civilization.

Note: The UN World Food Program is most active in third world Muslim countries.

To Muslims

Westerners are Nothing more than Kuffar Infidels

Muslims who are leaving the UK and other European countries, America and Canada, to join the terrorist group ISIL - are being falsely reported by the Zio-media as being citizens by **ancestral birthright** of those countries instead of **children of immigrants**, for example, Mohammed Emwazi *aka Jihadi John* is called a British citizen... without any mention of the fact that he was/is a Muslim... leading people to naturally assume that he was an **native-born citizen of the nation** rather than a recent immigrant - even if the bastard was born in the country, he was born to immigrants without any **hereditary allegiance to the nations population** - which is predominantly British and historically Christian.

Another good example of Zio-media misinformation (and outright lies) is/are the three "British teenaged schoolgirls" - no mention of the fact that the dirty sluts were Arabs or Muslims - Shamima Begum (15), Kadiza Sultana (16), and Amira Abase (15) who betrayed their **adoptive nation** (and Western Civilization) to sneak out of the country and join ISIL - as **Jihadi brides**. Even the *Rolling Stone* magazine is calling the dirty little Muslim fuckers "American kids" and claiming that they are being seduced by ISIL. What! Those filthy hippies are making it seem as if these **Islamic creeps** are actually citizens by right of ancestry... when all they are is **third world immigrant filth**.

One dumb bitch, though, Tareena Shakil (25), who ran off to join ISIL with her infant son for an

"idyllic life," was forced to flee after refusing a **forced marriage**. Still, she is called a "British girl" - insanity is what it is! Then there is Jake Bilardi *aka Jihadi Jake* (18), who betrayed his native Australia and snuck off to join ISIL... but even they had no better use for him than to have him blow himself up in a **suicide bombing**. What a loser! And, more recently, the 17 year-old unidentified "Canadian teen" who tried to join up with ISIL, but is now being charged with murder by the RCMP... or John Maguire *aka "al Canadi"* who was continually called an Ottawa man even after the traitor fled to Syria and joined ISIL - this "Muslim" pig was featured in an internet video extorting "lone wolf attacks" against his own homeland... Canada - land of the immigrant.

Or, as in the case of **Maher Arar** - called a "Canadian citizen" but having no **national identity** - who was sold to Syria by the CIA, where he was tortured - later being released without charge... and the son-of-a-bitch sued Canada! Can you believe that... and he won his lawsuit, too! Who in the hell are all of these people? the politicians and the Zio-media and these disloyal **"aliens aka citizens"**?

Or the Sudanese-born Canadian **"dual citizen"** Abousfian Abdelrazik which CSIS and the RCMP declared was an al-Qaeda terrorist - he was subsequently imprisoned in the Sudan (and *supposedly*) tortured and placed on the UN security council blacklist - as the only living "Canadian" on that list... as **if ancestry and heritage has nothing at all to do with citizenship**. This is nothing more than an insult to all those who died in the two great wars marking the 20th century. A slap in the face for all the vets and their descendants and the people they represented.

I will never understand how anyone can owe their allegiance to more than one country. In any event these people either deny and betray their birthright... or the sleazy politicians and lawyers of their adoptive country betray their constituency - their own country - giving these *so-called* dual citizens the same status of you or I who could never afford to surrender our citizenship even if we wanted to.

How long are people going to believe these pretentious lies which are being spun by the Zio-media? forever... because people are nothing more than an ignorant mob of foolish lemmings believing what they are told to believe and saying and doing what they are told to say and do by our Zionist NWO masters, who are enslaved to the herd instinct as if their very survival had everything to do with conforming to what was dictated by the rich elite, with nothing great about them and having no respect for their own culture or traditions in becoming no better than dirty animals which lie down in their own filth.

Even as the mob of Jews gathered before Pilate calling out for the murderous heathen Barabbas to be freed rather than Jesus of Nazareth - and crying out that the Messiah's blood be upon their children and their children's children - so too are our friends and neighbours (most of which cannot trace their lineage back in Canada for more than three-or-four generations) selling our descendant's futures out to the tripartite oppressors of freedom = Zion the Anti-Christ, the NWO "beast" and the Black Anti-Pope.

Who is a Muslim?

According to the common understanding prevalent around the world, a Muslim is one who believes in Allah and in Muhammad as his messenger. This understanding is totally **erroneous** since it is based neither on the Arabic language nor on facts.

This **deliberate falsification of history and theology**, was propagated by the recently converted pagan Arabs during-and-after their worldwide conquests. From then on, they imposed their will upon the subject peoples and unjustifiably arrogated to themselves alone and later on, to other non-Arabian converts - the term **Muslims**.

Islam is derived from the Arabic verb **Aslama** meaning "to submit" (to the will of the one and only Allah). It is the religion *par excellence* of submission... and a follower of Islam is called a **Muslim**. Contrary to all the deliberate and mendacious claims by the current followers of Muhammad, Islam means submission only, and has nothing to do with peace which is **salaam**.

Muslims before Muhammad

Another form of Islam is **Hanif** - those who submit to the will of the God of Abraham. They too, preceded Muhammad and his form of Islam in their monotheism by decades if not centuries. Among the most important Hanifs, some are mentioned in the Qur'an: Hud of the Ad people; Saleh of the Thamud and Sho'ayb of the Medyan. The Arabic sources *also* mention the following: Hanzala bin Safwan; Khaled b. Senan; Amer b. Zareb al Adwani; Abdullah al Quda'i; Amr b. Fadl; the eloquent poet and orator, Qass b. Sa'eda al Iyadi and last but not least Omayya b. Abi's-Salt, a contemporary of Muhammad and a member of the Thaqif tribe at Ta'ef, a renowned Hanif who advocated monotheism.

All of the above, actually knew of and used the name Allah since it was very familiar to them as the supreme god of the Ka'ba, long before Muhammad appeared on the scene.

The path to Monotheism in Arabia was already laid down a long time before Muhammad was borne, by the Jews of Arabia. **Sura 3:67 Abraham** was not a Jew nor yet a Christian but he was true in faith and bowed his will to Allah's (which is Islam) [Hanifa Musliman] and he joined not gods with Allah. Abraham - who preceded Muhammad by some twenty five centuries - **is the best example of a Muslim** in that he totally surrendered to the will of God. When the Almighty instructed him to sacrifice his one and only son by Sarah, Isaac, he did not argue, prevaricate or hesitate in obeying God's extremely harsh but seminal demand. In fact, the Qur'an itself asserts, that all and every Israelite or Jew is a Muslim: **Sura 2:127** And remember Abraham and **Isma'il** raised the foundations of the House (with this prayer): "Our Lord! accept (this service) from us for thou art the All-Hearing the All-Knowing.

Abraham and Ishmael were Hebrews after all, and not Arabs. Not once in the Qur'an can one find any connection between Abraham, Ishmael and the Arabs. The Qur'an only asserts *that* Abraham and Ishmael were Muslimoon/Muslims and as such, the **Fathers of Islam** but not of the Arabs. Hence, according to the Qur'an, Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, the Tribes, Moses, David, Solomon, the Prophets, Zakharia, Yahya, Jesus and the Apostles were either Hebrews, Israelites or Jews; all of whom believed in the One and Only Allah and hence were Muslims.

Most important of all is the fact, that they were all Muslims centuries before Muhammad and his Qur'an. Hence being a Muslim does not require believing that Muhammad was or is the messenger of Allah, but only that the person believes in the One and Only God. Hence, according to many of the most important verses of the Qur'an, all

³ As of 1 April 2015, all low-waged migrant workers employed under the Temporary Foreign Workers Program and Live-In Caregiver / Caregiver Program who have worked in Canada for more than four years were to be banned from continuing to work here, forced to leave, and barred from returning to Canada as workers for a further four years. Those that choose to stay would become criminals.

Israelites and Jews are Muslimoon/Muslims, believing in the One and Only Allah. This should not be a surprise to the Jews of the Mosaic faith since their forefathers, the Hebrews and later the Israelites were obviously the first to conceive of, believe in, and submit to, the will of the One and Only God; the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.

It is also a corollary that to be a Muslim, is independent of the belief that Muhammad was the messenger of Allah nor in the contents of the Qur'an since all of the above leaders/prophets did not know of either of them. It was only for the pagan Arabs and other pagans that it was incumbent to believe in Muhammad as the messenger of Allah, just as it was incumbent upon the Israelites to believe that Moses was the Prophet of God. That is why, a clear and unambiguous distinction must be made by the terms: Muslim and Muhammadan (Followers of Muhammad): Any monotheist is a Muslim but not all Muslims are Muhammadans; some Muslims are of the **Mosaic faith (Moussawi)**; some are Hanifs and in fact, any Christian who believes that Jesus was only a prophet but not the son of God, such as **Unitarian Christians**, is also a Muslim.

Muslim Disciples of Jesus

Since **Jesus and his disciples were of the faith of the Jews**, then they were pure monotheists and hence automatically Muslims: believers in the One and Only God. Anyone who has ever read the New Testament would know that neither Gabriel, or Allah nor the God of Israel, ever 'sent' Jesus the **Gospels** - the Gospels were not revelations to Jesus but books that were written long after Jesus was dead.

Any creature from anywhere in the Universe who declares belief in the One and Only God, is automatically a Muslim.

Muhammadanism

The foundation of the whole of the Muhammadan belief system, rests on the Qur'an (linked to Allah) and the Sunna (linked to the person of Muhammad).

Muhammad did not declare the founding of a new religion but that his "**Islam**" was only the continuation and culmination of the previous revelations. At no point, does the Qur'an imply otherwise.

Since it is incumbent upon all of Muhammad's followers to emulate his Sunna as the representative of the **perfect man**, then in reality, his followers must henceforth belong to the **Cult of Muhammad**. Hence, their form of "Islam" can only be designated as Muhammadan Islam. *This is not dissimilar to Buddhism whereby the followers of the Buddha are called Buddhists.*

As a corollary, the Jews are **Moussawi Muslims** (followers of the Mosaic Law) whilst **Monotheistic Christians** are **Yassoui Muslims** (Unitarian followers of Jesus).

The "**Shahada**" of a Jew, in similitude to that of a Muhammadan Muslim, can be as follows: "La ilah illa Allah, Wa Moussa, Kalimu'Allah" / There is no god but Allah and Moses is the one who talked directly to Allah"

The unilateral claim by Muhammadan Arabs especially, for primacy in their "Islam" over the Jews and other Monotheists, is utterly false and cannot

be substantiated either on historical or theological grounds as demonstrated here.

The Jews and their ancestors, the Israelites, preceded Muhammad and the Arabs in "Islam" by at least 2100 years if counting only from the giving of the Torah in Sinai. Allah, after all, according to the Qur'an, is the God of the Hebrews, the Israelites and the Jews. It is also a very clear fact, that there is not even one single new and practical spiritual or intellectual precept, concept, thought or idea in the whole of the Qur'an which, in any way shape or form, is equal to, or superior to any thing that it, the Qur'an, has plagiarized, plundered, pirated and/or perverted from the Bible and/or the traditions of their gadom half-brothers, the Jews, or others.

In fact, most of the Qur'an only paraphrases and recites in a different manner episodes, precepts and laws copied entirely from the Bible and Hebrew Scriptures as well as the New Testament and the scriptures, traditions and fetishes of other people. Contrary to all the false and falsified assertions made by Muhammadan theologians and historians, the Qur'an itself and the Hadiths show, that "**Islam**" was never a religion of peace (read suras 2:190-92; 4:74-76; 5:34/5; 8:39, 65; 9:5, 29, 73; 47:8 for a few examples).

The Muhammadan version of Islam flourished because of its propensity for aggression, terror, pillage, rape and plunder during the life of Muhammad, on his orders, and by his examples.

His followers continued the processes of conquest and subjugation in the Arabian Peninsula to start with, followed by invasions of tens of countries and millions of peoples on three continents, and imposed upon them Muhammad's - the Arabian - version of Islam, not through dialogue or conviction, but by force, terror and oppression.

In the present time as in the past, it is not 'Islam' that is holding the Muhammadans back, but the self appointed theologians and religious leaders who cling tenaciously to outdated, unverifiable and irrational, mostly fabricated traditions.

The Wives of the Prophet Mohammed

Mohammed was a polygamous **pedophilic opportunist and homosexual** who first married the rich widow **al-Kubra Khadija bint Khuwaylid** (age 40) - a "Mother of Believers (Muslims)": Mohammed was her third husband - she had first married **Abu Hala Malak ibn Nabash ibn Zarrara ibn al-Tamimi** - father of two sons by her (who were given feminine names): **Hala** and **Hind**; her second husband was **'Atiq ibn 'A'idh ibn 'Abdullah Al-Makhzumi** - father of a daughter named **Hindah**. Khadija was known as **Umm-ul-Mu'mineen** (or a "Mother of Believers").

After the **Hijra** (migration) to Medina Mohammed married **Sawda bint Zam'a** widow of **As-Sakran ibn Amr** - a "Mother of Believers." Mohammed also married a close friends' daughter, **Aisha bint Abu Bakr**, the first Rashidun caliph (when she was age 6 or 7, but she stayed with her parents until age 10 or 11 - when the marriage was consummated - Mohammed was age 53). She, too, was - a "Mother of Believers." [It was after the Hijra that Muslims rapidly grew and flowered and bore fruit.]

After the **Muslim War with Mecca**, Mohammed married several other widows, including: **Hafsa bint**

Umar daughter of **Zaynab bint Mazoon** and **Umar ibn al-Khattab**, the third Rashidun caliph (who was one of the most powerful and influential Muslim caliphs in history) - a "Mother of Believers."

Mohammed also married his cousin **Zaynab bint Khuzayma** - a "Mother of Believers." Mohammed was her third husband - she had first married **Tufail bin Harith** (who either died or divorced her) or **Husayn bin al-Harith** (who died of his wounds in the *Battle of Badr*); her second husband was either **Ubaydah ibn al-Harith brother of Tufail bin Harith** or **Jahsh ibn Riyab** (who was killed in the *Battle of Uhud*); it has been suggested that she even had a third husband who died. She was the only one of his wives who died before him, except for his first wife Khadija.

Mohammed also married his cousin **Hind bint Abi Umayya (Umm Salama)** - a "Mother of Believers." She was an old woman who was the most influential of his wives (second only to his first wife Khadija) widow of **Abu Salama** (who was among the first to convert to Islam) - who was father of four her children: **Zaynab (Barrah)**, **Salama**, **Umar**, and **Ruqaiyyah (Durra)**.

Mohammed also married his **Jewish maiden slave Rayhana bint Zayd** who died young a year before Mohammed. She had refused to accept or convert to Islam and was freed to go back to live with her own people.

Mohammed also "incestuously" married **Zaynab bint Jahsh** daughter of **Jahsh ibn Riyab** and **Umama bint Abdulmuttalib**, one of his father's sisters - the former aristocratic wife of the Prophet's adopted son **Zayd ibn Harithah al-Habib** ("the Beloved") - a **homosexual lover of the Prophet** slave of Mohammed's first wife Khadija. Zaynab, an ambitious woman, was also a "Mother of Believers."

Mohammed also married **Juwariyya bint al-Harith captive daughter** of **Chief al-Harith ibn Abi Dirar of the Banu Mustaliq** (who was defeated with his tribe in battle with Mohammed) whose husband **Mustafa bin Safwan** was killed in the battle. Juwariyya was also a "Mother of Believers."

Mohammed also married **Safiyya bint Huyayy** daughter of **Barra binte Samawal** (daughter of the distinguished warrior-poet **Samaw'al ibn 'Adiya ibn Sa'yah** aka "**Samuel the Faithful**" of the **banu Harith** tribe - who had converted to **Judaism**) of the **Banu Qurayza** tribe and **Chief Huyayy ibn Akhtab of the Jewish Banu al-Nadir** tribe (a courageous and learned warrior). Safiyya converted to Islam but did not bear Mohammed any children - still she is called a "Mother of Believers."

Mohammed also married **Ramla bint Abi Sufyan (Umm Habiba)** daughter of **Safiyyah bint Abi al-'As** (daughter of **Abu al-'As ibn Umayyah** grandfather of both **Al-Hakam ibn Mu'awiya** and **Uthman ibn Affan ibn Affan ibn Abi al-'As** - her maternal first cousin and paternal second cousin) and her first cousin **Abu Sufyan ibn Harb** son of **Safia** (paternal aunt of **Maymuna bint al-Harith** wife of Mohammed) - a staunch opponent to Mohammed before accepting Islam. She, too, is a "Mother of Believers."

Maymuna (Mahmuna) bint al-Harith aka **Khawla** daughter of **Hind bint Awf** (grandmother of **Abd Allah ibn Abbas** - an early Qur'an scholar) and **al-Harith ibn Hazn**.

Mohammed's widow **Hafsa bint Umar** played a roll in the collection of the first Qur'anic manuscript. After **Abu Bakr** had collected the copy, he gave it to **Hafsa**, who preserved it until **Uthman** took it, copied it and distributed it in Muslim lands.

Qasim ibn Muhammed *eldest son of Khadija and Mohammed* died before his second birthday.

Abd-Allah ibn Muhammed *son of Khadija and Mohammed* died in childhood.

Zainab bint Muhammed *eldest daughter of Khadija and Mohammed* married Abu al-Aas ibn al-Rabee of Makkah *maternal nephew of Khadija*.

Ruqayyah bint Muhammed *daughter of Khadija and Mohammed* was **killed by her husband** Uthman ibn Affan, the third Rashidun caliph and first caliph of the Umayyad clan, **who was then married her younger sister Umm Kulthum bint Muhammed**.

Fāṭimah (Fatima) *youngest daughter of Khadija and Mohammed* married her father's cousin Ali ibn Abi Talib (*whose father was Mohammed's cousin - and a non-Muslim*), the first young male to accept Islam. He was the fourth and **final Rashidun** ("rightly guided") caliph (*according to the Sunnis*) and the **first Imam** after Mohammed *whose descendants are the rightful heirs of Mohammed (according to the Shias)*.

The eldest son of Fatima and Ali, **Hasan ibn 'Ali ibn Abi Talib**, was the second Shiite Imam, (*succeeding his father and preceding his younger brother*) - the fourth Rashidun caliph and second caliph of the Umayyad clan. He abdicated after six or seven months and Mu'awiya (Muawiyah I), *second caliph of the Umayyad Caliphate after his cousin Uthman ibn Affan*, succeeded him. Imam Hasan was poisoned by his wife Ja'da bint al-Ash'at *ibn Qays al-Kindi* at the instruction of Mu'awiya, *who promised her gold and marriage to his son Yazid I... but Mu'awiya reneged on his promises and married her off to another man*.

The younger son of Fatima and Ali, **al-Ḥusayn ibn 'Ali ibn Abi Talib**, third Shia Imam - and highly regarded by Shite Muslims - was killed and beheaded by the army of Yazid I in the *Battle of Karbala*. [*Yazid ibn Mu'awiya ibn Abi Sufyāni (Yazid I) - the first caliph to inherit the Umayyad Caliphate - was supposedly killed by his own horse but his remains were never confirmed to be found.*]

Ibrahim ibn Muhammed *youngest son of Mohammed by Maryam al-Qibtiyya, an Egyptian Coptic Christian slave (sent with her sister Sirin as a gift from Muqawqis (Melchite patriarch Cyrus of Alexandria), a Byzantine official)* fell seriously ill sometime after the *Battle of Tabuk* - being sixteen or eighteen months old - and died under the care of his mother and her sister Sirin.

Maryam al-Qibtiyya never married after the death of Mohammed and died five years later.

Sirin bint Sham'un *the slave of Mohammed* was married off to Mohammed's court poet Hassan ibn Thabit, (who was supposed to have traveled as far east as China preaching Islam with *Sa'd ibn Abi Waqqas, Thabit ibn Qays*, and *Uwais al-Qarni*): They had one son - *'Abd al-Rahman ibn Hassan*.

Note: Mu'awiya (Muawiyah I) ibn Abi-Sufyan *second caliph of the Umayyad Caliphate and father of Al-Hakam - was the son of Hind bint Utbah (daughter of 'Utba ibn Rabi'ah, a prominent leader of the Quraysh - a merchant tribe that controlled Mecca and its Ka'aba - the most sacred site of Islam) and Abu Sufyan ibn Harb son of Safia - a powerful man of Mecca*.

Furthermore, Ramla bint Abi Sufyan *daughter of Safiyyah bint Abi al-'As and Abu Sufyan ibn Harb* was the step-daughter of Hind bint Utbah.

Safiyyah bint Abi al-'As (daughter of Abu al-'As ibn Umayyah grandfather of both Al-Hakam ibn Mu'awiya and Uthman ibn Affan ibn Affan ibn Abi al-'As - her maternal first cousin and paternal second cousin)

and her first cousin Abu Sufyan ibn Harb son of Safia (paternal aunt of Maymuna bint al-Harith wife of Mohammed) - a staunch opponent to Mohammed before accepting Islam. She, too, is a "Mother of Believers."

and the grandson of Abu al-'As ibn Umayyah and second cousin of Uthman ibn Affan

The Daughters of Allah

It is an undeniable fact of history that before Mohammed was born, in the Pagan Arabian religion, **Allah** was the name of the principal deity in Mecca who had three daughters: The Goddesses **al-Uzzá**, **al-Lat** and **Manat**, which formed a triad in pre-Islamic Arabia; sometimes Manat and al-Lat are considered daughters of al-Uzzá. The three were widely worshipped as uncut aniconic stones from the **Nabatean Petrain** in the North to the legendary Kingdoms of **Arabia Felix** in the South, including **Saba**, *the Biblical Sheba*; as far east as **Iran** and **Palmyra**.

According to tradition the three were very popular Goddesses in Mecca at the time of Muhammad and acted as Allah's intercessors.

Al-Uzzá, "the Strong One," "The Most Mighty," "The Mighty One" was as mentioned earlier, a pre-Islamic Arabian goddess, the **virgin warrior** and youngest in the triad was one of the most venerated Arab Deities... and the **goddess of the morning and evening star**, the planet **Venus** - a **blood-thirsty goddess** who required sacrifices: both animal and human. Her idol was situated in a valley in **Nakhlāt al-Sha'miyah**. She had a temple at **Petra** (*though which one that was has not been determined*), and may well have been the **patron goddess** of that city. Isaac of Antioch (5th century CE) calls her **Beltis** ("Lady"), a title shared by many other Semitic goddesses), and **Kaukabta**, "the Star." He also says that women would invoke Al-Uzzá from the rooftops, a form of worship appropriate to a Star Goddess. **St. Epiphanius** (4th century CE) calls her the mother of **Dusares**, the local mountain god, calling her by the title **Chaamu** or **Chalmous**, meaning "young girl or virgin." She has connections with the **acacia tree**, and her **sanctuary at Nakhlah** had three acacias in which she was believed to descend.

She has much in common with **Ishtar** and **Astarte** as Morning and Evening Star goddesses — they all have aspects of both Love and War goddess, and big cats were sacred to them. She is shown here armed as a **bellatrix**, standing before an **acacia** tree, with a **caracal**, or **desert lynx**. She was associated by the Greeks with their **Aphrodite Urania**, "Heavenly Aphrodite." Originally Sabean (the culture of the Kingdom of Saba or Sheba in the south of Arabia, present-day Yemen) **worship of al-Uzzá** spread all over Arabia. Some scholars believe she may even have been the patron deity of Mecca itself. The Quraish of Mecca paid much reverence to **al-Lat** and **al-Uzzá**, *most of all to the latter*: The

Al-Lat, whose name is a contraction of **al-Ilahat**, "the Goddess," is mentioned by Herodotus as **Alilat**, whom he identifies with **Aphrodite**. She is sometimes also equated with Athene, and is called "the Mother of the Gods", or "Greatest of All". She is a goddess of Springtime and Fertility, the Earth-Goddess who brings prosperity. She and Al-Uzza were sometimes confused, and it seems that as one gained in popularity in one area the other's popularity diminished.

The sun in Arabia was called **Shams** and considered feminine, and may represent an aspect of al-Lat. She had a sanctuary in the town of Ta'if, *east of Mecca*, and was known from Arabia to Iran. Her symbol is the **crescent moon** (sometimes shown with the sun disk resting in its crescent), and the gold necklace she wears is from a pendant identified to her. As a Fertility-Goddess she bears **a sheaf of wheat** - and in her hand she holds a small lump of **frankincense**, as her emblem is found carved on many incense-holders.

Al-Manat or **Manawayat** derives her name from Arabic maniya, "fate, destruction, doom, death", or **menata**, "part, portion, that which is allotted," - "Time" - the Death or Fate goddess. She is a very ancient deity and her cult may precede both al-Uzzá and al-Lat. Her cult was widespread, though she was particularly worshipped as a black stone at Quidaid, *near Mecca*. She is connected with the **great pilgrimage**, as her sanctuary was the starting point for several tribes.

She is known from Nabatean inscriptions, and tombs were placed under her protection, asking her to curse violators. She is accordingly a **Goddess of Death**, and **Maniya** (*Death personified*) is mentioned in poetry as actively bringing a person to his or her grave, holding out the cup of death.

She is shown as **an old woman with a cup**, and the symbols at the bottom of her gown spell her name in Sabaic (*which does not use vowels and is written right to left*), **M-n-t**. The **waning moon** is shown over her head as the symbol of the **Crone-Goddess of Death**. *The Aus and Khazraj tribes of Madina were the most prominent worshippers of Manat*.

It is an uncontested fact that Muhammad was born of pagan parents. His father, Abdullah and his mother, Amina, were both pagans and they used to worship many idols. His entire childhood (*probably* up to his teens) was spent in paganism. To day, many Muhammadans will find it extremely hard to digest this fact. However, Muhammad's pagan origin is disclosed by **Hisham ibn al-Kalbi**, who writes:

"We have been told *that* the Apostle of Allah once mentioned al-Uzzá saying: I have offered a white sheep to al-'Uzzá, while I was a follower of the religion of my people."

Hisham al-Kalbi, *Kitab al-Asnam (Book of Idols)* , p.17

In the statement above Muhammad clearly admits his past adherence to paganism-the then religion of the Quraysh.

As Muhammad grew weary from evangelizing his new religion with little success and to bring an end to his quarrel with his people the Quraysh, Muhammad, *in a moment of weakness*, made the ultimate concession in the Qur'an, that of **Ishrak/Polytheism**, to the effect that his followers, **the 'Muslims' were allowed to venerate the daughters of Allah as Allah's intercessors**, *hence* instantly compromising his originally strict monotheism.

The pagan female trinity was immediately accepted without dissent and the passage was considered part of the revealed Qur'an.

Muhammad later retracted/abrogated this enormous error and denied his culpability in the matter by conveniently accusing **Satan** of having put the offending words in his mouth. Muhammed got the usual "made-to-order revelation" from Allah, sanctifying the removal of the offending verse. After repenting his error, Muhammad was comforted by Allah.

Islam

Islam (Arabic: الإسلام al-'islām, pronounced [ʔislæ:m] is the monotheistic religion articulated by the Qur'an, a text considered by its adherents to be the verbatim word of the one, incomparable God (Arabic: الله, Allāh), and by the Prophet of Islam Muhammad's teachings and normative example (in Arabic called the Sunnah, demonstrated in collections of Hadith). **Islam** literally means "submission (to God)." **Muslim** - the word for an adherent of Islam - is the active participle of the same verb of which Islām is the infinitive.

Muslims regard their religion as the completed and universal version of a primordial, monotheistic faith revealed at many times and places before, including, notably, to the prophets Abraham, Moses and Jesus. Islamic tradition holds that previous messages and revelations have been changed and distorted over time. Religious practices include the Five Pillars of Islam, which are five obligatory acts of worship. Islamic law (Arabic: شريعة سارّة 'Sharī'ah) touches on virtually every aspect of life and society, encompassing everything from banking and warfare to welfare and the environment.

Five Pillars of Islam

The basic principles one must follow in order to be a Muslim.

- 1) "**Shahada**": Saying and believing that "there is only one God (Allah) and that Mohammad Peace be upon him is His last prophet and messenger."



- 2) **Salah**: Praying five times a day. The five prayers are:

- i - **Fajr** prayer (Arabic: صلاة الفجر ṣalāt al-fağr, "dawn prayer"): the first prayer of the day (at least 10-15 minutes before sunrise).

- ii - **Dhuhr** prayer (Arabic: صلاة الظهر ṣalāt al-dhuhr IPA: [sʰala:t aððˤuħr], "noon prayer") is the second prayer of the day (an hour after mid-day), falling halfway between the beginning of dawn and the first instant of complete darkness.

Shi'a:

Time begins: once the sun has crossed the celestial meridian (true noon), exactly halfway between sunrise and sunset. This is when the sun is at the highest point in the sky.

Time ends: before the time it takes to recite the daily Asr prayer, a little before sunset.

Sunni:

Time begins: once the sun has crossed the celestial meridian (true noon), exactly halfway between sunrise and sunset. This is when the sun is at the highest point in the sky.

Time ends: at the time when the Asr prayer begins...

- iii - **Asr prayer** (Arabic: صلاة العصر ṣalāt al-'aṣr, "afternoon prayer") is the afternoon daily prayer recited by practicing Muslims.

Time begins: once the Dhuhr prayer (mid-day daily prayer) has been recited.⁴

Time ends: at the beginning of the setting of the Sun.⁵

- iv - **Maghrib** prayer (Arabic: صلاة المغرب ṣalāt al-mağrib, "'West [sun] prayer"), prayed just after sunset, is the fourth of five formal daily prayers (salat) performed by practicing Muslims.

Time begins: when the sun has completely set beneath the horizon; immediately after the Asr prayer period ends.

Time ends: as soon as enough time for a person to purify him/herself and pray has passed - or, until a little before dawn, i.e., the beginning of Fajr prayer - or, when the time for Isha'a salat begins (when complete darkness has arrived and the yellow twilight in the sky has disappeared).

- v - **Isha** prayer (Arabic: صلاة العشاء ṣalāt al-'ishā, "night prayer") is the night-time daily prayer recited by practicing Muslims: [Islamic evening begins at maghrib].

Shi'a:

Time begins: once Maghrib (evening prayer) has been recited.

Time ends: at midnight, the midpoint between shafak and dawn. Often Maghrib and Isha are offered together with a small gap in between.

Sunni:

Time begins: when complete darkness has arrived and the white twilight in the sky has

⁴ Time begins: The Sunni schools differ on when the time begins. The Maliki, Shafi'i, and Hanbali schools say it is at the time when the length of any object's shadow equals the length of the object itself plus the length of that object's shadow at noon. The dominant opinion in the Hanafi school says it begins when the length of any object's shadow is twice the length of the object plus the length of that object's shadow at noon.

⁵ Time ends: Once the sun has completely set below the horizon. However, it is frowned upon (and sinful in the Maliki school) to delay the prayer without a legitimate excuse to the point of the day in which the sun turns a pale red or orange color as it begins to set, though it would still be considered to have been prayed on time.

disappeared and the when the red thread has disappeared from the sky.

Time ends: At the beginning of dawn when the time for Fajr prayer begins.

- 3) **Zakāt** (Arabic: زكاة [zæ'kæ:t], "that which purifies," is a form of obligatory alms-giving and religious tax in Islam - given to any Muslim not one's own parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, spouses or the descendants of the Prophet Muhammad.

- 4) **Sawm** (Arabic: صوم, plural: Siam) is fasting regulated by Islamic jurisprudence - meaning: to abstain from eating, drinking, smoking and other comforts, *such as chewing gum*, and engaging in conjugal sexual relationships during daylight hours of the Islamic holy month of **Ramadan**.

It teaches one the principle of love: because when one observes fasting, it is done out of deep love for God and to learn self-restraint.

- 5) **Hajj** (/hædʒ/; Arabic: حج Hağğ "pilgrimage") is an annual Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca - from the 8th to 12th day of the last month of the Islamic calendar. It is a mandatory religious duty that must be carried out at least once in their lifetime by all adult Muslims who are physically and financially capable of undertaking the journey, and can support their family during their absence.

Each Muslim must: 1) walk counter-clockwise seven times around the Ka'aba - a cuboid building at the center of Islam's most sacred mosque, Al-Masjid al-Haram, in Mecca, Saudi Arabia: it is the most sacred site in Islam; 2) run back-and-forth between the hills of Al-Safa and Al-Marwah; drink from the Zamzam Well - a miraculously-generated source of water from God; 4) go and stand in the plains of Mount Arafat; 5) and throw stones in a ritual "stoning of Iblīs the devil"; 6) shave their heads and perform a ritual animal sacrifice; and 6) celebrate the 3-day global festival of Eid al-Adha.

The majority of Muslims belong to one of two denominations: the Sunni and the Shi'a. Islam is the predominant religion in the Middle East, North Africa, and large parts of Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. Sizable communities are also found in China and Russia, and parts of the Caribbean. About 13% of Muslims live in Indonesia, the largest Muslim country, 31% in the Indian Subcontinent, and 20% in Arab countries. Converts and immigrant communities are found in almost every part of the world. With approximately 1.57 billion Muslims comprising about 23% of the world's population, Islam is the second-largest religion in the world and arguably the fastest growing religion in the world.

Muslim Demographics

According to research, in border for a culture to maintain itself from more than 25 years, there must be a fertility rate up 2.11 children per family... with anything less the culture will decline. Historically no culture has ever reversed a 1.9 fertility rate - a rate of 1.3 is impossible to reverse because it would take 80 to 100 years to correct itself, and there is no economic model that can sustain the culture during that time. In other words if two sets of parents each have one child... there are half as many children as parents; if those children have one child... than there are one-fourth as many grandchildren as grandparents.

If only a million babies are born in 2006, it's hard to have two million adults enter the workforce in 2026. As the population shrinks so does the culture. As of 2007, the fertility rate in France was 1.8, England 1.6, Greece 1.3, Germany 1.3, Italy 1.2, Spain 1.1. Across the entire European Union of 31 countries, the fertility is a mere 1.38. Historical research tells us these numbers are impossible to reverse. In a matter of years, Europe as we know it with cease to exist.

Yet the population of Europe is not declining! why? immigration - Islamic immigration. Of all population growth in Europe since 1990, ninety percent has been Islamic: France 1.8 children per family - Muslims 8.1. In southern France, traditionally one of the most populated church regions in the world, there are now more mosques than churches. Thirty percent of children ages 20 and younger are Islamic. In the larger cities, such as Nice, Marseille, and Paris... that number has grown to forty-five percent. By 2027, one in five Frenchmen will be Muslim! In just twelve years, France will be an Islamic republic.

In the last thirty years, the Muslim population of Great Britain rose from 82,000 to 2.5 million - a 30-fold increase! There are over 1000 mosques, many of them former churches. In the Netherlands, fifty percent of all newborns are Muslim and in less than a decade, half of the population at the Netherlands will be Muslim. In Russia, there are over 23 million Muslims - that's one out of five Russians... forty percent of the entire Russian army will be Islamic! In just a few short years.

Currently in Belgium, 25 percent of the population and 50 percent all newborns are Muslim. The government of Belgium has stated: "One-third of all European children will be born to Muslim families by 2025" - just 10 years away! The German government,⁶ the first to talk about this publicly, recently released a statement saying: "The fall in the [German] population can no longer be stopped. Its downward spiral is no longer reversible. It will be a Muslim state by the year 2050."

Muammar al-Gaddafi (c. 1942-2011) of Libya said: "There are signs that Allah will grant victory to Islam in Europe without swords, without guns, without conquest. We don't need terrorists we don't need homicide bombers. The fifty-plus million Muslims [in Europe] will turn it into a Muslim continent within a few decades." There are currently 52 million Muslims in Europe... ten years ago, the German government said *that* "that number is expected to double in the next twenty years to 104 million.

Closer to home, the numbers tell a similar story... ten years ago Canada's fertility rate was 1.6 - nearly a full point below what is required to sustain a culture! and Islam is now the fastest growing religion. Between 2001 in 2006, Canada's population increased by 1.6 million - 1.2 of those... immigration. In the United States, the current fertility rate of American citizens is 1.6 - with the influx of immigration from Latino nations, the rate increases to 2.11... the bare minimum required to sustain a

culture. In 1970, there were one hundred thousand Muslims in America... fifteen years later, there were over nine million.

It is expected *that* if these present rates of increase in the Muslim population continues... *by 2030, one out of three persons will be Muslim.*

Three Things You (Probably) Don't Know About Islam

For every opinion or belief someone may hold, there will be another party who just as strongly opposes that idea. Both sides usually claim to sit with the best arguments, the real facts, and the correct world view... and, ironically, both sides regard the other as being indoctrinated, blind to the obvious, and outright stupid. Most people only expose themselves to information that matches their own world view... it is uncomfortable to do otherwise. Still, we would like to give you some surprising information about Islam. We *also* urge you to look further than only mainstream media and if you can find the time for it... read *the glorious al-Qur'an* yourself.

1) Islam has not been hijacked! that Islam has been hijacked is what most non-Muslims naturally assume... because they assume all religions are the same. The reason non-Muslims are so easily confused is that most of us don't realize the difference between the Qur'an and every other religious book we're familiar with. The Christian Bible is a collection of writings from various authors written sometimes hundreds of years apart with parables, advice, and dreams, all collected together into one book. Same with the Jewish Torah. Even those of us in the west, who are neither Christians or Jews, are still familiar enough with these religions to know this much: and therefore we assume the same is true for the Qur'an. But the Qur'an is only one book written by one man in his own lifetime. It is meant to be taken literally and it's not full of symbolism or vague analogies. It is mostly direct commands. Of course, the Qur'an contains contradictory statements just like other religious books... but the Qur'an itself provides the reader with the way to know what to do with the contradictions. It's explained in the Qur'an *that* if you have to passages that contradict each other... the one written later supersedes the one written earlier.

Most westerners are unaware *that* the peaceful, tolerant passages were written early in Mohammad's prophetic career. According to the Qur'an, those passages have been abrogated by later more violent and less tolerant passages... so, when most westerners here Jihadists quoting violent passages from the Qur'an, and then peaceful Muslims quoting peaceful passages... they interpret that the way they would if someone was quoting the Bible or the Torah. They think to themselves, "O there must be many different and contradictory passages like there are in our the religious books, so Muslims can pick and choose what they like and justify whatever actions they want to take. But the Qur'an is nothing like that! there is no picking and choosing. It says very explicitly and in no uncertain terms *that* the Muslim must not alter or ignore any part of its very clear and direct message or they will burn in a fiery torment forever.

2) **Striving to institute worldwide Shari'a law** is a religious duty. Many people don't realize how politically oriented Islam is at it's core. In fact, Islam is less of a religion than it is a "religious

ideology." It includes a mandatory and highly specific legal and political plan for the whole society: **Shari'a**. There is no separation between the religious and the political in Islam; rather, Islam and Shari'a constitute a totalitarian means ordering society at every level, including: ritual worship, transactions and contracts, morals and manners, beliefs, and punishments. In the Qur'an, Allah makes it clear that man-made governments (such as a democracy) and free speech (such as criticizing the Qur'an) are abominations and must be eliminated. The modern expression "**creeping Shari'a**" is used to describe this slow, deliberate and methodical advance of Islamic law in non-Muslim countries. Official Shari'a Courts already operate in the UK, handling cases ranging from divorce and financial disputes to domestic violence. Attempts to introduce Sharia into the legal system in Germany, Sweden, and other European countries are ongoing.

While Shari'a already has a foot in our door in the matter of minor disputes, like inheritance and domestic violence, it should concerning that Shari'a commands that drinkers and injured plaintiff to exact legal revenge... literally, "an eye for an eye" ("*lex talionis*"); commands that a thief must have a hand cut off; commands that homosexuals must be executed; orders unmarried fornicators is to be whipped and adulterers to be stoned to death or his death; orders death for both Muslim and non-Muslim critics of Muhammad, the Qur'an, and even Shari'a itself; orders apostates to be killed; commands offensive, aggressive, and unjust jihad. As written in the Qur'an, Sharia is the law of Allah. Any other form of government is a sin. It is the duty of every Muslim to keep striving until all governments have been converted to Shari'a law.

3) Muslims are allowed to deceive non-Muslims if it helps Islam. For non-muslims, this principle - called "**Taqiyya**" - is another surprising concept of Islam. While most other religions speak highly of truthfulness... the Qur'an instructs Muslims to lie to non-Muslims about their beliefs and political ambitions - to protect and spread Islam. There are many examples of today's Islamic leaders saying one thing in English for the western press... and then saying something entirely different to their own followers in Arabic a few days later. Deceiving the enemy is always useful in war... and Islam is at war with the non-Islamic world... until the whole world follows Shari'a law. All non-Muslims living in non-Islamic States are therefore enemies... so deceiving westerners is totally acceptable - even encouraged - if it can forward the goals of the spread of Islam.

As a recent example, the Islamic American relief agency was seemingly raising money for orphans, but in fact giving the money to terrorists! they deceived good-hearted Western infidels into giving money to organizations that were actively killing Western infidels. Do the research yourself, this is not an isolated case.

Islam as a religion of peace.

Muslim organizations worldwide often declare that Islam is a religion of peace... but what does that really mean? It seems easy for a Muslim to quote a peaceful verses from the early parts of the Qur'an, while by following the principle of Taqiyya... neglecting to mention the fact that it has been officially abrogated by later more violent verses. According to the Qur'an, the world will be at peace only when Islam and Shari'a reign in every country...

⁶ Germany Federal Statistics Office

and never until then. This is why every Muslim can truthfully say *that* Islam is a religion of peace!

If any of these points took you by surprise, then there is surely much more you still don't know. This subject will affect you in the near future... so take the chance to inform yourself now before it does.

Additional Notes

Other than the fact that Muslims haven't killed every non-Muslim under their domain, there is very little else that they can point to as proof that theirs is a peaceful, tolerant religion. Where Islam is dominant (as in the Middle East and Pakistan) religious minorities suffer brutal persecution with little resistance. Where Islam is in the minority (as in Thailand, the Philippines and Europe) there is the threat of violence if Muslim demands are not met. Either situation seems to provide a justification for religious terrorism, which is persistent and endemic to Islamic fundamentalism.

The reasons are obvious and begin with the Qur'an. Few verses of Islam's most sacred text can be construed to fit the contemporary virtues of religious tolerance and universal brotherhood. Those that do are earlier "Meccan" verses which are obviously abrogated by later ones. The example of Muhammad is that Islam is a religion of peace when Muslims do not have the power and numbers on their side. Once they do, things change.

Many Muslims are peaceful and do not want to believe what the Qur'an really says. They prefer a more narrow interpretation that is closer to the *Judeo-Christian ethic*. Some just ignore harsher passages. Others reach for "textual context" across different suras to subjectively mitigate these verses with others so that the message fits their personal moral preferences. Although the Qur'an itself claims to be clear and complete, these apologists speak of the "risks" of trying to interpret verses without their "assistance."

The *violent verses of the Qur'an* have played a key role in very real massacre and genocide. This includes the *brutal slaughter* of tens of millions of Hindus for five centuries beginning around 1000 AD with the bloody conquest of **Mahmud of Ghazni**. Both he and the later **Tamerlane** (Islam's Genghis Khan) slaughtered an untold number merely for defending their temples from destruction. **Buddhism** was very nearly wiped off the Indian subcontinent. **Judaism** and **Christianity** met the same fate (*albeit* more slowly) in areas conquered by Muslim armies, including the Middle East, North Africa and parts of Europe, including today's Turkey. **Zoroastrianism**, the ancient religion of a proud Persian people is despised by Muslims and barely survives in modern Iran.

Violence is so ingrained in Islam that it has never really stopped being at war, either with other religions or with itself.

Muhammad was a ruthlessly murderous military leader: he laid siege to towns, *massacring men, raping women, enslaving children*, and taking the property of others as his own. On several occasions he rejected offers of surrender from the besieged inhabitants and even butchered captives. He inspired his followers to battle when they did not feel it was right to fight, promising them *slaves* and *booty* if they did and threatening them with Hell if they did not. Muhammad allowed his men to rape traumatized women captured in battle, usually on the very day their husbands and family members were slaughtered.

It is important to emphasize that, for the most part, Muslim armies waged aggressive campaigns, and the religion's most dramatic military conquests were made by the actual companions of Muhammad in the decades following his death.

The early Islamic principle of warfare was that the civilian population of a town was to be destroyed (i.e. men executed, women and children taken as slaves) if they defended themselves and resisted Islamic

hegemony. Although modern apologists often claim that Muslims are only supposed to "attack in self-defense", this oxymoron is flatly contradicted by the accounts of Islamic historians and others that go back to the time of Muhammad.

Some modern-day scholars are more candid than others. One of the most respected Sunni theologians is **al-Qaradawi**, who justifies terror attacks against Western targets by noting that there is no such thing as a civilian population in a time of war:

"It has been determined by Islamic law that the blood and property of people of Dar Al—Harb [i.e. non-Muslim people who resist Islamic conquest] is not protected. In modern war, all of society, with all its classes and ethnic groups, is mobilized to participate in the war, to aid its continuation, and to provide it with the material and human fuel required for it to assure the victory of the state fighting its enemies. Every citizen in society must take upon himself a role in the effort to provide for the battle. The entire domestic front, including professionals, laborers, and industrialists, stands behind the fighting army, even if it does not bear arms."

Consider the example of the *Qurayza Jews*, who were completely obliterated only five years after Muhammad arrived in Medina. Their leader opted to stay neutral when their town was besieged by a Meccan army that was sent to take revenge for Muhammad's deadly caravan raids. The tribe killed no one from either side and even surrendered peacefully to Muhammad after the Meccans had been turned back. Yet the prophet of Islam had every male member of the Qurayza beheaded, and every woman and child enslaved, even raping one of the captives himself (what Muslim apologists might refer to as "*same day marriage*").

One of Islam's most revered modern scholars, **Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi**, openly sanctions offensive Jihad: "In the Jihad which you are seeking, you look for the enemy and invade him. This type of Jihad takes place only when the Islamic state is invading other [countries] in order to spread the word of Islam and to remove obstacles standing in its way." Elsewhere, he notes: "Islam has the right to take the initiative...this is God's religion and it is for the whole world. It has the right to destroy all obstacles in the form of institutions and traditions... it attacks institutions and traditions to release human beings from their poisonous influences, which distort human nature and curtail human freedom. Those who say that Islamic Jihad was merely for the defense of the 'homeland of Islam' diminish the greatness of the Islamic way of life."

\The widely respected *Dictionary of Islam* defines **Jihad** as "A religious war with those who are unbelievers in the mission of Muhammad. It is an incumbent religious duty, established in the Qur'an and in the Traditions as a divine institution, and enjoined specially for the purpose of advancing Islam and of repelling evil from Muslims: [Quoting from the Hanafi school, **Hedaya**, 2:140, 141]: "The destruction of the sword is incurred by infidels, although they be not the first aggressors, as appears from various passages in the traditions which are generally received to this effect."

Dr. Salah al-Sawy, the chief member of the **Assembly of Muslim Jurists in America**, stated in 2009 that "the Islamic community does not possess the strength to engage in offensive jihad at this time," tacitly affirming the legitimacy of violence for the cause of Islamic rule - bound only by the capacity for success.

Muhammad's failure to leave a clear line of succession resulted in perpetual internal war following his death. Those who knew him best first fought afterwards to keep remote tribes from leaving Islam and reverting to their preferred religion (the Ridda or

'Apostasy wars'). Then the violence turned within. Early Meccan converts battled later ones as hostility developed between those immigrants who had traveled with Muhammad to Mecca and the Ansar at Medina who had helped them settle in. Finally there was a violent struggle within Muhammad's own family between his favorite wife and favorite daughter - a jagged schism that has left Shias and Sunnis at each others' throats to this day.

The strangest and most untrue thing that can be said about Islam is that it is a Religion of Peace. If every standard by which the West is judged and condemned (slavery, imperialism, intolerance, misogyny, sexual repression, warfare...) were applied equally to Islam, the verdict would be devastating. Islam never gives up what it conquers, be it religion, culture, language or life. Neither does it make apologies or any real effort at moral progress. It is the least open to dialogue and the most self-absorbed. It is convinced of its own perfection, yet brutally shuns self-examination and represses criticism.

This is what makes the *verses of violence* in the Qur'an so dangerous. They are given the weight of *divine command*. While Muslim *terrorists* take them as literally as anything else in their holy book, and understand that Islam is incomplete without Jihad, moderates offer little to contradict them - outside of personal opinion. Indeed, what do they have? Speaking of peace and love may win over the ignorant, but when every twelfth verse of Islam's holiest book either speaks to Allah's hatred for non-Muslims or calls for their death, forced conversion, or subjugation, it's little wonder that sympathy for terrorism runs as deeply as it does in the broader community - even if most Muslims personally prefer not to interpret their religion in this way.

Although scholars like **Ibn Khaldun**, one of Islam's most respected philosophers, understood that "the holy war is a religious duty, because of the universalism of the Muslim mission and (the obligation to) convert everybody to Islam either by persuasion or by force", many other Muslims are either unaware or willfully ignorant of the near absence of verses that preach universal non-violence in the Qur'an. Their understanding of Islam comes from what they are taught by others. In the West, it is typical for believers to think that their religion must be like Christianity - preaching the New Testament virtues of peace, love, and tolerance - because Muslims are taught that Islam is supposed to be superior in every way. They are somewhat surprised and embarrassed to find that this is contradicted by the Qur'an and the bloody history of Islam's genesis.

Others simply accept the violence. In 1991, a Palestinian couple in America was convicted of stabbing their daughter to death for being too Westernized. A family friend came to their defense, excoriating the jury for not understanding the "culture", claiming that the father was merely following "the religion" and saying that the couple had to "discipline their daughter or lose respect." In 2011, unrepentant Palestinian terrorists, responsible for the brutal murders of civilians, women and children explicitly in the name of Allah were treated to a luxurious "holy pilgrimage" to Mecca by the Saudi king - without a single Muslim voice raised in protest.

For their part, Western liberals would do well not to sacrifice critical thinking to the god of political correctness, or look for reasons to bring other religion down to the level of Islam merely to avoid the existential truth that this it is both different and dangerous. There are just too many Muslims who take the Qur'an literally... and too many others who couldn't care less about the violence done in the name of Islam.

